| (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 19. | Punjab | 7 | NIL | 2 | NIL | NIL |
| 20. | Rajasthan | 100 | 65 | 14 | 63 | 83 |
| 21. | Sikkim | NIL | NIL | NIL | NIL | NIL |
| 22. | Tamil Nadu | 30 | 7 | 67 | 8 | 27 |
| 23. | Tripura | 7 | 21 | 5 | 10 | 12 |
| 24. | Uttar Pradesh | 43 | 6 | 18 | 4 | 87 |
| 25. | West Bengal | 14 | 13 | 13 | 10 | 19 |
| 26. | Andaman & Nico Bar | NIL | NIL | NIL | NIL | NIL |
| 27. | Chandigarh | 1 | NIL | 1 | NIL | NIL |
| 28. | Daman & Diu | NIL | 1 | NIL | 3 | 1 |
| 29. | Dadra & Nagar Haveli | NIL | 5 | NIL | 5 | NIL |
| 30. | Delhi | NIL | NIL | NIL | NIL | 3 |
| 31. | Lakshadweep | NIL | NIL | NIL | NIL | NIL |
| 32. | Pondicherry | 1 | NIL | NIL | NIL | NIL |
| | Total | 1194 | 482 | 826 | 489 | 1031 |
| | Grand Total (Boys & Girls Hostels) | | | 2991 | | |

**Inadequate Budget Allocation for Weaker Sections**

4508. SHRI GANDHI AZAD: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that adequate share of budget for the development of SC/ST/OBC and minorities Welfare Schemes in proportion to their percentage of population has not been provided; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) and (b) It is a fact that allocation of funds for development of SCs/STs/OBCs and minorities is not in proportion to their population. The Planning Commission is of the opinion that "population" alone cannot be taken as the sole criterion for allocation of funds for Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, OBCs and Minorities development.

However, Special Component Plan (SCP) and Tribal Sub-Plan (TSP) have been in operation since 1979-80 for supplementing/complementing the Central and the State budget for development of SCs and STs. In terms of this arrangement, population is the major criterion to assist the quantum of funds under various development sectors both at the Central and the State leves. 13 Central Ministries and 24 States/UTs are successfully implementing these two strategies.

Special Central Assistance (SCA) is being provided by Central Government as an additionality to SCP and STP budgets in the State Sector. Population is the major criterion for allocation of funds for this purpose.

Besides, in order to encourage substantial allocation of resources, Central Assistance is also being provided under Article 275(1) of the Constitution for improving the infrastructural facilities in the Tribal areas.

The Plan Allocation for various schemes/programmes which are intended to benefit the SCs/STs/OBCs and Minorities during 2000-01 are as follows .

| Schemes/Programmes | Plan Allocation 2000-01 |
|---|---|
| SC Development | 864.50 |
| Tribal Development | 810.00 |
| OBCs | 103.03 |
| Minorities | 32.65 |

**Grant-in-Aid for Mentally Handicapped**

4509. MISS MABEL REBELLO: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have passed a bill on National Trust for the Mentally Handicapped;

(b) whether it is a fact that Government give only Rs. 350/- per month as grant-in-aid to NGOs to run the residential facilities for each of the mentally handicapped which is grossly inadequate; and